

§ 617.65 Transition procedures for amendments in sections 2671 and 2672 of Pub. L. 98-369 (Deficit Reduction Act of 1984).

The procedures for administering the Trade Act of 1974 as amended by the Deficit Reduction Act of 1984 are as follows:

(a) *TRA*. (1) The provisions in subpart B of this part 617 shall apply to workers who would lose additional weeks of TRA payments because of delays in approving applications for training. Workers who filed timely, bona fide applications for training shall be eligible to receive additional weeks of TRA payments beginning the first week of training when their applications for training are approved on or after July 18, 1984, and the first week of such training begins later than the first week which follows the last week of entitlement to basic TRA.

(2) Workers whose applications for training were approved prior to July 18, 1984, are covered under the provisions of the Trade Act of 1974 as in effect prior to July 18, 1984, and are not entitled to additional weeks of TRA by reason of the amendment in section 2671 of the Deficit Reduction Act of 1984 or § 617.15(b) of this part.

(b) *Job Search Allowances*. (1) The provisions in subpart D of this part 617 shall apply to timely applications for job search allowances that are approved on or after July 18, 1984.

(2) Workers whose applications for job search allowances that were filed timely but were approved before July 18, 1984, in the aggregate authorized amount of \$600, are covered under the provisions of the Trade Act of 1974 in effect prior to July 18, 1984, and are not entitled to receive the increase in the allowance level provided in section 2672(a) of the Deficit Reduction Act of 1984 and § 617.34(b) of this part.

(c) *Relocation allowances*. (1) The provisions in subpart E of this part 617 shall apply to timely applications for relocation allowances that are approved on or after July 18, 1984.

(2) Workers whose applications for relocation allowances were filed timely but were approved before July 18, 1984, are covered under the provisions of the Trade Act of 1974 in effect prior to July 18, 1984, and are not entitled to receive

the increase in the lump sum allowance level provided in section 2672(b) of the Deficit Reduction Act of 1984 and § 617.45(a)(3) of this part.

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§ 617.66 Transition procedures for amendments in sections 13002 through 13009 of Pub. L. 99-272 (the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985).

The procedures for administering the Trade Act of 1974 before and after the amendments made by the Pub. L. 99-272 are as follows:

(a) *Duration of TRA*. The provisions contained in § 617.15 expanding the eligibility period for payment of basic TRA benefits from 52 weeks to 104 weeks shall apply only to those claimants whose eligibility periods begin on or after April 7, 1986, or who have a previously established 52-week TRA eligibility period that ends on or after April 7, 1986. Workers with 52-week eligibility periods that end before April 7, 1986, will not have their eligibility periods extended to 104 weeks.

(b) *TRA payments*—(1) Retroactive TRA payments. Retroactive claims of eligible workers may be approved for weeks of unemployment beginning with the first week after the week which includes December 18, 1985. Claims for weeks beginning before April 7, 1986 (or, if later, before claimants are notified of their potential entitlement and have filed claims for retroactive benefits) are not subject to the application of the Extended Benefits (EB) work test, nor to the State timely filing requirement. Claimants shall be subject to those requirements for weeks of unemployment beginning after the date eligible workers are notified of such requirements and have filed claims for such benefits.

(2) *Employer-authorized leave, disability leave and union service*. The change to § 617.11(a)(3) for crediting weeks of specified leave to qualify for TRA will apply only to initial claims for basic TRA filed with the State agency by eligible workers on or after April 7, 1986.

(c) *Job search program*. The job search program requirement applies to workers certified under petitions for trade adjustment assistance filed with the Department on or after April 7, 1986.